

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Applicant  | : Elmen, et al.                                   | Art Unit  | : Angell |
| Serial No. | : 10/587,775                                      | Examiner  | : 1635   |
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| Title      | : MODIFIED SHORT INTERFERING RNA (MODIFIED SIRNA) |           |          |

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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**AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO ACTION OF MARCH 8, 2011**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: